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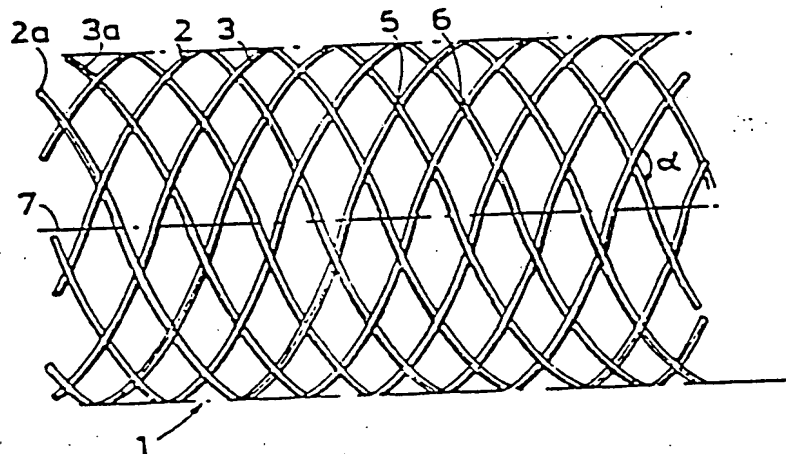
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(54) A prosthesis comprising an
expandible or contractile tubular body

(57) A prosthesis for transluminal
implantation comprising a flexible
tubular body which has a diameter that
is variable by axial movement of the
ends of the body relative to each other
and which is composed of several
individual rigid but flexible thread
elements each of which extends in helix
configuration with the centre line of the
body as a common axis, a number of
elements having the same direction of
winding but being axially displaced
relative to each other crossing a
number of elements also axially
displaced relative to each other but
having the opposite direction of
winding; and method for transluminal
implantation.



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